Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A waterborne coating composition comprising an admixture of prefomulated liquid blend raw materials, comprising:

a) about 0 to 70 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the composition, of a titanium dioxide slurry;

b) about 0 to 75 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the composition, of at least one extender pigment slurry;

c) about 1 to 20 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the composition, of a thickener slurry; and

d) about 1 to 10 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the composition, of a glycol slurry; and

e) at least one latex binder.

2. (Original) The coating composition of claim 1, wherein the viscosity of said coating composition is substantially the same as the viscosity of any one of the slurries.

3. (Original) The coating composition of claim 1, wherein the viscosity of said waterborne coating is in the range of about 70-125 Krebs units.

4. (Original) The coating composition of claim 1, wherein the thickener slurry comprises

at least one thickener selected from the group consisting of polyacrylates, hydroxyethylcellulose, an alkali soluble emulsions, a hydrophobic ethoxylated urethane resins, and a hydrophobically-modified alkali soluble emulsions

5. (Original) The coating composition of claim 1, wherein the at least one extender pigment slurry can be selected from the group consisting of calcium carbonate slurry, silica slurry, and kaolin clay slurry.

6. (Original) The coating composition of claim 1, wherein the pH of said thickener slurry is in the range of between 5.5 to 6.5.

7. (Original) The coating composition of claim 1, wherein the titanium dioxide slurry comprises:

a) about 50 to 90 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the slurry, of titanium dioxide pigment

b) about 0.5 to 10 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the slurry, of a glycol; and

c) about 0.1 to 5.0 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the slurry, of at least one thickener; and

wherein the viscosity of said titanium dioxide slurry is in the range of about 70-125 Krebs units.

8. (Original) The coating composition of claim 7, wherein the thickener can be selected from the group consisting of polyacrylates, hydroxyethylcellulose, alkali soluble emulsions, hydrophobic ethoxylated urethane resins, and hydrophobically-modified alkali soluble emulsions.

9. (Previously Presented) The coating composition of claim 1, wherein the at least one

extender pigment slurry comprises

a) about 50 to 75 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the slurry, of a calcium carbonate pigment;

b) about 0.5 to 10 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the slurry, of a glycol; and

c) about 0.1 to 5.0 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the slurry, of at least one thickener; and

wherein the viscosity of said extender pigment slurry is in the range of about 70-125 Krebs units.

10. (Original) The coating composition of claim 9, wherein the thickener can be selected from the group consisting of polyacrylates, hydroxyethylcellulose, alkali soluble emulsions, hydrophobic ethoxylated urethane resins, and hydrophobically-modified alkali soluble emulsions.

11. (Previously Presented) The coating composition of claim 1, wherein the at least one extender pigment slurry comprises

a) about 20 to 50 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the slurry, of a silica pigment;

b) about 0.5 to 10 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the slurry, of a glycol; and

c) about 0.1 to 5.0 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the slurry, of at least one thickener; and

wherein the viscosity of said extender pigment slurry is in the range of about 70-125 Krebs units.

12. (Original) The coating composition of claim 11, wherein the thickener can be selected from the group consisting of polyacrylates, hydroxyethylcellulose, alkali soluble emulsions, hydrophobic ethoxylated urethane resins, and hydrophobically-modified alkali soluble emulsions.

13. (Previously Presented) The coating composition of claim 1, wherein the at least one extender pigment slurry comprises

a) about 50 to 75 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the slurry, of a kaolin clay pigment;

b) about 0.5 to 10 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the slurry, of a glycol; and

c) about 0.1 to 10 percent by weight, based on the total weight of the slurry, of at least one thickener selected from the group consisting of polyacrylates, hydroxyethylcellulose, alkali soluble emulsions, hydrophobic ethoxylated urethane resins, and hydrophobically-modified alkali soluble emulsions.

14. (Original) The coating composition of claim 13, wherein the thickener can be selected from the group consisting of polyacrylates, hydroxyethylcellulose, alkali soluble emulsions, hydrophobic ethoxylated urethane resins, and hydrophobically-modified alkali soluble emulsions.

15. (Currently Amended) A method for the preparation of a waterborne coating composition comprising:

(a) providing a plurality of preformulated liquid blend raw materials; and

(b) admixing the liquid blend raw materials to produce the waterborne coating product.

16. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein said liquid blend raw materials can be selected from the group consisting of latex binders, titanium dioxide slurries, extender pigment slurries, thickeners, thickener slurries, glycol slurries, and mixtures thereof.

17. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein the waterborne coating product has a predetermined viscosity.

18. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein the waterborne coating product has substantially the same viscosity as the liquid blend slurries.

19. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein the viscosity of said waterborne coating is in the range of about 70-125 Krebs units.

20. (Original) The method of claim 16, wherein the extender pigment slurries can be selected from the group consisting of calcium carbonate slurry, silica slurry, and kaolin clay slurry, or mixtures thereof.

21. (Original) The method of claim 16, wherein the thickener can be selected from the group consisting of polyacrylates, hydroxyethylcellulose, alkali soluble emulsions, hydrophobic ethoxylated urethane resins, and hydrophobically-modified alkali soluble emulsions.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, wherein each liquid blend raw material has substantially the same viscosity.